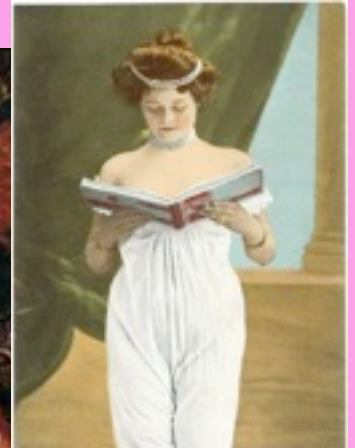
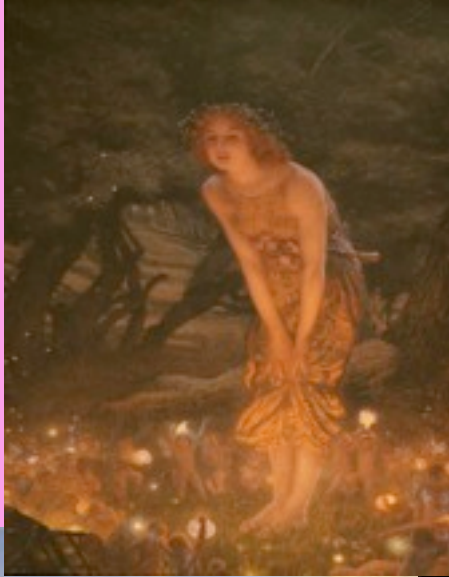


# The Victorian Period

## 1832-1901



# Victorian Art



# Victorian Art

- Fairy Art - Inspired by characters from Shakespeare.
  - Purpose to enchant
  - Often used as illustrations in books
  - A favorite of Queen Victoria
- Landscape
  - Ideal of the country
  - Land fertile

# Victorian Art

- Portraits
  - Portray both genders as ideal of the time
- Cards/Postcards
  - Elaborate floral designs

# Important Themes

- Optimism
- Progress
- Scientific Achievement
- Social Reform
- Reverence for Stability and Decorum
- Reason and Courage
- Prosperity

# Important Historical Events

- 1831 – Reform bill allows men who own property of ten pounds or more to vote.
- 1837 – Victoria becomes queen of the United Kingdom, Great Britain, and Ireland
- 1839 – Reforms include a Custody Act that allows divorced women legal access to their children
- 1842 - First of what China terms “unequal treaties” makes Hong Kong a British colony



# Important Historical Events

- 1845 – Potato famine begins in Ireland; close to one million people die from starvation or famine-related diseases; massive emigration begins
- 1847 – Ten Hours Act limits the number of hours that women and children can work in factories
- 1868 – Britain ends eighty-year practice of deporting convicts to Australia.
- 1869 – Debtors' prisons abolished in England
- 1879 – Zulu war against British begins in South Africa

# Important Historical Events

- 1885 - Indian National Congress is formed; begins agitating for Indian self-rule
- 1889 – Emmeline Pankhurst forms Women's Franchise League, arguing for British women's suffrage
- 1901 – Queen Victoria dies

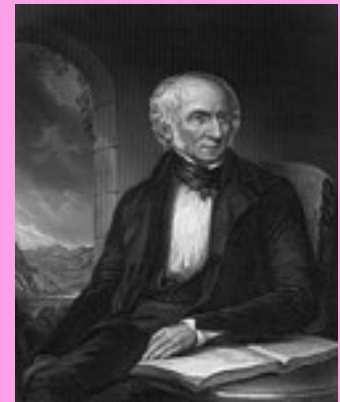


# Important Authors

Charles Dickens “Great Expectations” and  
“Oliver Twist”



Wordsworth become poet laureate



# Important Authors

Elizabeth and Robert  
Browning  
“Sonnet 43”

“My Last Duchess”

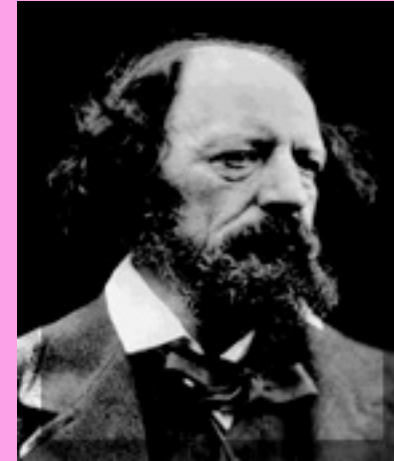


Charlotte and Emily Bronte  
“Jane Eyre”  
“Wuthering Heights”



# Important Authors

- Alfred, Lord Tennyson becomes poet laureate
- “The Lady of Shalott”
- “Ulysses”



## Lewis Carroll “Alice in Wonderland”



# Important Authors

Arthur Conan Doyle introduces Sherlock Holmes

